

Internship Announcement

Unpaid Legal Intern

The Political Asylum/Immigration Representation (PAIR) Project is the leading provider of pro bono representation to low-income asylum seekers in Massachusetts and immigrants unjustly detained by ICE. PAIR has an opening for Summer 2025 for a highly organized, energetic, detail-oriented, responsible law student with excellent interpersonal skills, written and oral skills for a full-time internship. We ask for a full-time commitment for at least 10 weeks. This internship would be unpaid.

Position Description:

The PAIR Project will host a student interested in serving asylum seekers, detained immigrants, and youth in the greater Boston region. A law student intern would work to support the PAIR's legal programs, which includes assisting with drafting affidavits and briefs, asylum and detention intakes, conducting legal research into complex questions of asylum law, Know Your Rights presentations, country conditions research, assisting with client services, and participating in related projects as needed.

This position includes extensive contact with many types of people including those who have suffered abuse and other physical and emotional trauma.

Qualifications:

- Must be currently enrolled in law school
- Bachelor's degree
- Fluency or advanced proficiency in Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, or French is highly preferred
- Strong legal writing, research, and communication skills
- Demonstrated commitment to advocating for indigent immigrant clients in a respectful and empowering way and displays a commitment to diversity and inclusion
- Cultural sensitivity and ability to relate well and effectively in a diverse workplace with diverse client population
- Clear oral and strong written communication skills; active listening
- Critical thinking, problem solving, and leadership
- Strong organizational ability and detail-oriented approach
- Knowledge and proficiency of online platforms such as Google Suite, Slack and Zoom
- Must pass clearance process for detention visits

Application Process:

To apply, please submit a resume and cover letter to career@pairproject.org with "Summer 2025 Legal Internship" in the subject line. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, and applicants are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. Only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted. PAIR is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to inclusive hiring and dedicated to diversity in both its staff, interns, and work.